

SECTION I**Manufacturer's Name:**

The Ensign-Bickford Company

Emergency Telephone No:

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660 Hopmeadow St., Simsbury, CT 06070

or

Hwy. 175 P.O. 160, Graham, KY 42344

Chemical Name and Synonyms:

N/A

Trade Name and Synonyms:

PRIMACORD®

DETONATING CORD,

PRIMALINE®

Cage Code:

96336

EBCo Product Code:

A305-A993

AM382-AM990

SECTION II - HAZARDOUS INGREDIENTS

<u>Ingredient:</u>	<u>C.A.S. No.</u>	<u>OSHA PEL</u>	<u>ACGIH TLV</u>
Pentaerythritol Tetranitrate (PETN)	78-11-5	None	None
Cyclotrimethylene Trinitramine (RDX)	121-82-4	None	1.5mg/m ³ (skin)
Cyclotetramethylene Tetranitramine (HMX)	2691-41-0	None	None
2,6-Bis(Picrylamino)-3,5- Dinitropyridine (PYX)	38082-89-2	None	None
Ammonium Hydroxide	1336-21-6	None	None

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Cellulose	9004-34-6	15mg/m ³ (total) 5mg/m ³ (resp)	10mg/m ³
Tributyl Phosphate	126-73-8	5mg/m ³	2.2mg/m ³
Polyethylene	9002-88-4	None	None
Cotton Yarn	N/A	None	None
Polypropylene Yarn	N/A	None	None
Wax	N/A	None	None

SECTION III - PHYSICAL DATA

Boiling Point:

N/A

Specific Gravity:

N/A

Vapor Pressure:

N/A

Percent Volatile:

N/A

Vapor Density:

N/A

Evaporation Rate:

N/A

Solubility in Water:

PETN: Insoluble
(Soluble In Acetone)

RDX: Insoluble

PYX: Insoluble

HMX: Insoluble

Melting Point:

PETN: 140° C

RDX: 190°-200° C Decomposes

PYX: 370° C

HMX: 275° C Decomposes Violently

Appearance and Odor:

PETN: Odorless White Crystalline Solid

RDX: White Granular Powder

PBX: Odorless Yellow Crystalline Solid

HMX: White Granular Solid, Methanol Odor

Product Appearance:

The core of high explosive is wrapped in plastic yarn. The core will contain 4 to 400 GR./Ft. of any of the listed explosives.

Brightly colored rope like (flexible) linear product with a jacket of braided plastic yarn.

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SECTION IV - FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARD DATA

Flash Point:

N/A

Exposure Limits:

LEL: N/A

UEL: N/A

Special Fire Fighting Procedures:

DO NOT FIGHT FIRES INVOLVING EXPLOSIVES. ISOLATE THE AREA. EVACUATE PERSONNEL TO A SAFE PLACE. EXPLOSIVE DETONATION CAN OCCUR.

Extinguishing Media:

Do not fight fires involving explosives. Water may be applied through a fixed extinguishing system (sprinklers) as long as people need not be present for the system to operate.

Unusual Fire and Explosion Hazards:

May detonate if exposed to shock, heat, impact, sparks or friction. Nitrogen oxides are released when the product is burned.

Auto Ignition Temperature:

PETN: 190° C

RDX: N/A

PYX: N/A

HMX: Deflagrates @ 287° C

SECTION V - ROUTES OF ENTRY EFFECTS OF OVER EXPOSURE

Eye Contact:

PYX is a known eye irritant. Flush immediately with running water for at least 15 minutes. Seek medical attention.

Skin Contact:

Wash thoroughly with soap and water if skin irritation occurs; seek medical attention.

Inhalation:

PETN can lower blood pressure. PETN is a vasodilator. If detonation fumes are inhaled remove victim to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration; seek medical attention.

Breathing RDX dust can cause spasms, cardiovascular collapse, nasal and respiratory irritation. Seek medical attention.

Ingestion:

HMX is poisonous by ingestion, seek medical attention. Ingestion of RDX is to be treated with gastric wash. Death can occur from the ingestion of RDX.

SECTION VI-EMERGENCY FIRST AID PROCEDURES

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<u>Eye Contact:</u>	Flush using running water for 15 minutes. If irritation persists, seek medical attention.
<u>Skin Contact:</u>	Wash thoroughly with soap and water. If skin irritation occurs, seek medical attention.
<u>Inhalation:</u>	Remove victim to fresh air. If not breathing administer artificial respiration. Seek medical attention.
<u>Ingestion:</u>	Seek medical attention. Treat ingestion of RDX with gastric wash.

SECTION VII- REACTIVITY DATA

<u>Stability:</u>	Stable
<u>Conditions To Avoid:</u>	Detonating Cord may detonate if exposed to sufficient heat, shock, friction, impact and static charge.
<u>Incompatibility:</u>	Incompatible with acids, alkalis.
<u>Hazardous Decomposition Products:</u>	Detonation and burning will produce nitrogen oxides. Avoid breathing the fumes from detonation and burning.
<u>Hazardous Polymerization:</u>	Will not occur.

SECTION VIII - SPILLS OR LEAK PROCEDURES

<u>Steps To Be Taken In Case Material is Released or Spilled:</u>	<p>Review Fire and Explosive Hazards and Safety Precautions before proceeding with clean-up. Use appropriate Personal Protective Equipment during clean-up. Isolate the spill area; removing all sources of ignition from the location. Carefully collect the spilled material and place in a (Velostat) conductive bag. Contamination of this material with sand, grit or dirt will render the material more sensitive to detonation. If safe; separate material that is not contaminated from contaminated material. "Loose" powder spills should be wetted down and cleaned using a damp rag or sponge. Store all collected material in a secure area, to await proper disposal.</p> <p>Only qualified personnel should perform any clean-up and disposal of material.</p>
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Waste Disposal Method:

Waste Detonating Cord is classified as a hazardous waste with the characteristic of reactivity. EPA Hazardous Waste Number D003. Any such waste should be handled in accordance with local, state and federal regulations. The current-preferred methods of destruction of such waste are open burning or open detonation. Ensure that Detonating Cord contains no knots or kinks. Knots or kinks in Detonating Cord can cause a detonation when subject to heat/flame. All destruction is to be performed by qualified personnel at a licensed (TSD).

SECTION IX - SPECIAL PROTECTION INFORMATION

Respiratory Protection: OSHA/NIOSH approved dust, mist and fume filter respirator.

Ventilation: Product is intended for outside use and for use in underground mines. Ventilation should be provided if used in underground mines or if any special testing is to be performed indoor.

Protective Gloves: Protective gloves of rubber or Neoprene should be worn.

Eye Protection: Safety glasses

Other Protection: N/A

SECTION X - OTHER PRECAUTIONS

Precautions To Be Taken In Handling and Storage: Transportation and storage must be in accordance with local, state and federal regulations. Store away from sparks or other ignition sources. Avoid heat, shock and impact.

Other Precautions: Refer to Manufacturer's Instructions and Warnings supplied with product.

SARA 313 Information: This product does not contain any chemical that is subject to the reporting requirements of SARA Title III, Section 313.

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